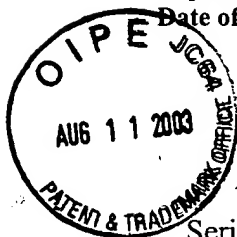


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**PETITION AND AMENDMENT TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP IN A
NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b) – FEWER
INVENTORS DUE TO AMENDMENT OR CANCELLATION OF CLAIMS**

Dear Sir:

The prosecution of the above-identified nonprovisional application has resulted in the cancellation of claims so that fewer than all of the currently named inventors are the actual inventors of the invention being claimed in the instant application. Therefore, Applicants submit this Petition and Amendment to correct inventorship by deleting the following name(s):

Corine Vernet

The above listed inventor's invention is no longer being claimed in the instant nonprovisional application.

This Petition and Amendment is being filed in conjunction with a Response to the June 9, 2003 Restriction Requirement and a Preliminary Amendment in order to delete those inventors who were correctly named in the instant application as filed, but are not inventors of the invention recited by the pending claims, as amended.

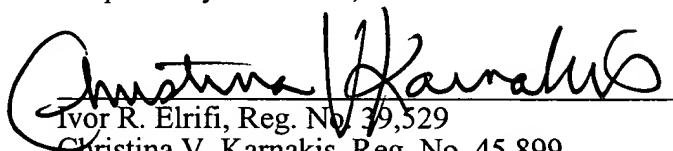
Applicants submit herewith the appropriate fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 15966-

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Should the Commissioner have any questions concerning this petition, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Christina V. Karnakis", is written over a horizontal line.

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